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For: ANTI-VIRUS SCANNING CO-PROCESSOR)
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following items:

- 1) Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 2) Part B- Issue Fee Transmittal

Respectfully submitted,
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Examiner:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated 11/02/2009, please enter the following:

REMARKS

The Examiner has stated in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance the following: "the prior art fails to explicitly disclose 'indicating the data to a scanning co-processor coupled to the central processing unit so that the data is scanned by the scanning co-processor under the control of the scanning control logic'; 'executing additional logic utilizing the central processing unit while waiting for the results from the scanning co-processor'; 'wherein the scanning co-processor is under the control of the central processing unit via the execution of the scanning control logic by the central processing unit'; 'wherein the data is sent to the scanning co-processor if it is determined that the data meets the predetermined criteria'; 'wherein additional data to be scanned by the scanning coprocessor is queued while waiting for the results from the scanning co-processor'" (emphasis added).

In response, applicant points out that at least some of the independent claims (e.g. Claims 34-36, etc.) are not necessarily limited to at least some of the emphasized features that the Examiner has highlighted above. Just by way of example, at least some of applicant's independent claims are not necessarily limited to a technique "wherein the data is sent to the scanning co-processor if it is determined that the data meets the predetermined criteria" (emphasis added), as the Examiner notes.

Clearly, at least some of the independent claims are not necessarily limited to the features that the Examiner has noted above in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, as emphasized above (by way of example only). Instead, each of the claims should only be limited by the language existing therein.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. For payment of

the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NAI1P014).

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